GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4844
ANSWERED ON:24.08.2001
PADDY PROCUREMENT CENTRES
RAJO SINGH

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of paddy procurement centres of the Food Corporation of India at present;

(b) whether the Government propose to open more of such centres in various States especially in Bihar; and

(c) if so, the locations identified for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a): The State-wise number of paddypurchase centres operated by Food Corporation of India during the current Kharif Marketing Season 2000-2001 is at Annexure.

(b)&(c): Before the commencement of each Kharif Marketing Season sufficientnumber of purchase centres are opened by the Food Corporation of India in consultation with the State Government to avoid distress sale and inconvenience to the farmers.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4844 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 24-8 IN THE LOK SABHA.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF PURCHASE CENTRES OPERATED BY THE FOOD CORPORATION OF IND PROCUREMENT OF PADDY DURING KHARIF MARKETING SEASON 2000-2001

S.NO.	REGION	FCI	JOINTLY WITH STATE AGENCIES
1	Punjab	460	87
2	Haryana	22	10
3	U.P.	-	-
4	Delhi	4	-
5	Rajasthan	12	-
6	Andhra Pd.	217	-
7	Madhya Pd.	-	-
8	West Bengal	-	-
9	Karnataka	18	-
10.	P.cherry	2	-
11	A.Pradesh	-	-
12.	Bihar	40	-
13	Orissa	-	-
14.	H.P.	2	-
15	Maharashtra	-	-
16	J&K	2	-
	TOTAL	779	97